

President says it's war, U.S. will be victorious

by Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13, 2001 — "Now that war has been declared on us, we will lead (America) to victory," President Bush said following a conversation with New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani and New York Gov. George Pataki.

Bush spoke to the two about the Sept. 11 terrorist attack on the World Trade Center in the city and the current situation.

He pledged all the resources of the federal government to help the city cope with the disaster.

As calls of support come to Washington from around the globe, Bush said, he and his security team are working on a campaign to win the war on terrorists.

He told the governor and mayor that his resolve is "steady and strong about winning this war that has been declared on America."

Bush said the New York and Pentagon attacks begin a new kind of war and that the United States must adjust to these new realities.

He said that stamping out terrorism would require cooperation around the world.

"This government will call others to join us, to make sure this act, these acts, the people who conducted these acts and those who harbor them, are held accountable for their actions," Bush said.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Sept. 12 that Americans must understand that this war will not be quick strikes and over.

It won't end with a single counterattack against one individual, he said.

"It's going to be a long-term conflict, and it's going to be fought on many fronts — the military front, the intelligence front, the law enforcement front, the diplomatic front," Powell said.

At a Pentagon news conference Sept. 13, Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz also stressed the campaign will be a long one.

"We're going to see how this unfolds, and it's going to unfold over time," Wolfowitz said.

"I think one thing is clear — that you don't do it with just a single military strike no matter how dramatic.

"It will be a campaign, not a single action. And we're going to keep after these people and the people who support them until this stops.

"I think the whole civilized world has been shocked by what's happened, and even some elements of the uncivilized world have begun to wonder whether maybe they're on the wrong side here."



A second plane, United Airlines Flight 175, crashes into the World Trade Center's south tower, causing a massive explosion.

Terrorism hits home

U.S. shaken by recent attacks

Secretary Rumsfeld message to U.S. Forces, DoD Civilians

WASHINGTON (NWS) — The following is a transcript of a videotaped message from Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld to members of the U.S. Armed Forces and to Department of Defense civilian employees:

Great crises are marked by their memorable moments. At the height of peril to his own nation, Winston Churchill spoke of their finest hour. Yesterday, America and the cause of human freedom came under attack, and the first great crisis of America's 21st century was suddenly upon us. And we saw the memorable moments. Who will ever forget the display of national unity on the steps of the Capitol Building? People will long remember seeing and hearing the members of Congress spontaneously breaking out into "God Bless America." What a wonderful thing for the world to see, and what pride we can take in that moment.

So, too, President Bush's address to the nation will live in memory. He spoke for all of us when he showed his compassion and concern but also noted a quiet, unyielding anger among the American people. He offered a clear-sighted view of what needs to be done to prepare for the future.

As one of those working with him on his national security team, I can report that throughout the crisis, the president has been as commanding and impressive in person as he has been in his public addresses. As Americans, we can be proud of our president, our vice president and our leaders in Congress.

But I'm speaking to you now a little more than 24 hours after yesterday's attack. I must add that one of the finest hours of this crisis was here at the Pentagon. For a long time to come, Americans will take pride and feel gratitude for how nobly and professionally our military and civilian personnel have responded here at the Department of Defense. I left my office here in the Pentagon and went to the site of the attack minutes after it occurred. The scene was appalling, and even as I speak to you now, the human toll of this tragedy is being counted. Most in this building have lost friends and colleagues.



DoD photo by R. D. Ward (Released)

Fire fighters and military personnel unfurl a large American flag from the roof of the Pentagon during the Sept. 12, 2001, visit of President George W. Bush to the site of the previous day's terrorist attack on the Pentagon.

We're doing all we can for the families of those who were killed or hurt. Our grief is beyond description, and our condolences go out to all of those who have lost a loved one.

But we have pride, too; pride in their service to country and to us all, and pride that in the morning, the flag was still there; the Stars and Stripes was over the wreckage to mark their place of honor.

Our gratitude is also all but indescribable for the firefighters and the police and the personnel from so many local, county, and

state, as well as federal agencies who have assisted us. Their work and commitment have been an inspiration to me and to us all.

But in addition to telling you of America's pride in Defense Department personnel during the last 24 hours, it is my duty, as head of this department, to tell you that more, much more, will be asked of you in the weeks and months ahead.

This is especially true of those who are in the field. We face powerful and terrible enemies, enemies we intend to vanquish, so that moments of horror, like yesterday, will be stopped.

The task of vanquishing these terrible enemies and in protecting the American people and the cause of human freedom will fall to you, the men and women in the Department of Defense. I know we are ready. I know America can continue to count on your selflessness and courage and dedication to duty.

Let us never forget what this great institution is about. With its hallways filled with the pictures of Medal of Honor recipients and our country's great mili-

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Italian phrase of the week...

Dio benedica l'America



(God Bless America)

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DUI's 2000 - 39

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As you all are aware, America has experienced a tragedy that will forever affect us, and our nation's view on terrorism. Never before in the history of our great nation since Pearl Harbor have we been so brutally attacked on our home soil. These past few days have been difficult and will continue to test the resolve of America and its people as we grieve. However, as President Bush stated, "Make no mistake about it, we will prevail."

Here at NASSIG, we will continue to carry out our mission of Fleet Readiness, in addition to supporting one another in these times of increased security and sorrow. We are doing our best to return to some sense of normalcy, but we cannot compromise force protection. Although many security measures may seem like inconveniences, they are in place for your safety. I ask everyone to keep up the cooperation and understanding you have to date. Our heightened security posture will remain in effect as long as deemed necessary.

The week of Sept 11, we were forced to be reactive, and we carried out operations in that most appropriate manner. This past week we have all been attempting to get things back to normal, considering the more restrictive force protection posture. You all have been very understanding and supportive during this complex time. This coming week we need to work-

ing on returning, as much as possible, to our normal lifestyle and quality of life. This is important to show our adversaries that they cannot take away our freedom. They are not in control, we are.

I received the following personal message from RADM Holmes, Commander, Fleet air Mediterranean, and I'd like to share it with you because it truly reflects the professionalism and strength demonstrated by all Sailors, civilian personnel, family members and our caring host nation friends.

"REFLECTING ON THE PAST FEW DAYS SINCE THE EVENTS OF 11 SEPTEMBER, I AM MOVED BY THE FACT THAT THERE ARE NO WORDS WHICH CAN ADEQUATELY ARTICULATE THE IMPACT THESE TERRORIST ACTIONS HAVE HAD ON OUR EMOTIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL FABRIC, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT EFFECT THEY WILL HAVE ON OUR CURRENT MISSION, SAILORS, AND FUTURE REQUIREMENTS.

DUE TO THIS HORRIFIC ACTION, NUMEROUS, DETAILED AND SHORT-FUSED TASKINGS HAVE BEEN PROMULGATED WHICH YOU, YOUR OFFICERS AND SAILORS HAVE COMPLETED WITH NO COMPLAINT AND WITH GREAT EFFICIENCY. I ASK THAT YOU KEEP UP THE TREMENDOUS WORK, YOUR ACTIONS ARE SINCERELY AND DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY ME AND MANY OTHERS. ALL THE BEST, RADM HOLMES."

I'm personally very proud of the entire Sigonella community for your strength, understanding and cooperation as we all navigate through some unprecedented times. Keep up the great effort; watch over your fellow shipmates, family members and our Italian friends, and keep the American spirit alive and proud. I extend my gratitude and thanks to everyone.

Club drug kills

By Larry Jackson, NCIS Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (NWS)—It is called ecstasy, a dangerous drug that also goes by the nicknames "e," "x," "m," "adam," "kleenex," the "love drug," the "hug drug," "bean," "clarity," "essence" and "XTC." Whatever the name, ecstasy is probably the most alarming drug problem for the Navy and Marine Corps since the 1970s.

Once popular only in the fringe elements of American culture, civilian ecstasy use has been on the rise for years. For example, the National Institute of Drug Abuse (NIDA) reported that ecstasy use increased in 1999 among 10th and 12th graders.

An annual study, "Monitoring the Future," conducted by the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research, reported that ecstasy use among 12th-grade students more than doubled from 3.6 percent to 8.2 percent between 1998 and 2000.

While trends for other illicit drugs are stabilizing or declining, ecstasy use appears to be spreading. Reflecting this trend in American society, the Navy and Marine Corps have experienced a significant increase in the detected use of the drug among Sailors and Marines.

Since 1998, the Department of the Navy (DoN) has experienced an increase in ecstasy abuse of more than 1,000 percent. In 1998, 51 Sailors and Marines tested positive for the drug. While that translates to a relatively low number of detected users — it is estimated that more than 500 Sailors and Marines will test positive in 2001 — the trend is very alarming for a variety of reasons.

First, is the misperception that ecstasy is hard to detect. The Department of Defense (DoD) drug laboratories have been testing for ecstasy since mid-1997 and have worked closely with the commercial sector to develop more sensitive screening assays, which have been approved for use by the Food and Drug Administration. The Navy laboratories are also installing new high-speed analyzers that will further improve the ability to detect ecstasy use.

Second, drug use trends for other illegal narcotics have been declining in the Navy and Marine Corps.

Third, the widespread perception among the public is that ecstasy is not dangerous, and there are people who believe it is legal.

"The only thing spreading faster than the drug itself is misinformation about the drug," said Donnie Marshall of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS) counter-narcotics agents and analysts began noting a rise in these so-called club drug-related cases — particularly ecstasy — on the West Coast several years ago. The trend steadily spread eastward, moving out of the big cities and into the smaller cities and towns across the nation.

In 1999, NCIS counter-narcotics agents and analysts shifted into high gear, studying the club drugs and cultural factors leading to their increased use. Armed with this general information, agents in the field studied the problem from a local standpoint, and then developed operations to counter the distribution networks springing up on and around naval bases and installations.

"Supply reduction through law enforcement is only one part of a strategy to reduce illegal drug use," said NCIS Special Agent Ernie Simon. "Demand reduction through prevention and education is crucial."

Another aspect of demand reduction is deterrence and detection through frequent unannounced random drug testing. In response, DoN is increasing the number of drug screenings for 2001.

With NCIS well ahead of most other law-enforcement agencies in addressing ecstasy abuse, analysts and agents had to educate a lot of people, starting with senior Navy and Marine Corps leaders. As awareness at senior levels increased, it became clear that there was also a need to counter the widespread misinformation about ecstasy.

In cooperation with commander in chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Fleet Combat Camera Atlantic and NIDA, NCIS produced an awareness video that was mailed to the field earlier this year.

Within a month of the video's distribution, outside organizations, from local law enforcement to the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, requested copies of the video.

Ecstasy, technically known as 3-4 methylenedioxymethamphetamine, or MDMA, has been around for nearly 90 years, since its creation in Germany.

In liquid form, the drug is clear; in pill form it looks like an aspirin. The drug can also be in powder or gelatin form, but most of the time it is sold as a pill, said NCIS Special Agent Matt Butler.

According to the NIDA, physical side effects include muscle tension, involuntary teeth clenching, nausea, blurred vision, rapid eye-movement, fainting and chills or sweating. In the most severe cases, users have suffered from heat stroke, and then died from cardiac arrest. Users must drink large quantities of water to keep from dehydrating.

Ecstasy is commonly used at raves, where the hallucinogen enhances the effects of loud techno music and flashing lights and makes the ecstasy abusers, or "ravers," feel closer together. Users report that it causes mood changes and loosens their inhibitions. They become more outgoing, empathetic and affectionate. Ecstasy is also a stimulant, allowing the abusers to party longer, but at a price of depression and heightened anxiety that lasts for days to weeks afterward. Ecstasy use is now known to affect memory and other functions by destroying the nerve fibers linking various regions of the brain.

"Ravers keep the pills mixed in with Tic Tacs or Skittles, and the drug is traded openly at the parties," said Butler. "You don't have to know somebody who knows somebody who will make a discreet sale."

That certainly makes it easier for sellers to ply their wares, but the real attraction, as with any other drug, is profit, and the profits are big. A tablet costing as little as 50 cents to manufacture, can be sold to users in the United States for as much as \$40.

"Plenty of people are going to be attracted by profit margins like that," said Butler. "That means that combating the dealers and networks will remain a high priority for NCIS for the foreseeable future."

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Dental Assistant Training

Branch Dental Clinic, Sigonella is offering dental assistant training and practical experiences that can open new career doors for you and facilitate further educational opportunities. Classes will be held for 2 weeks beginning Oct. 22 from 7 a.m. to noon at the Naval Hospital. Clinical experience will follow the completion of the class. All current and prospective Red Cross Volunteers are encouraged to apply at the Red Cross Office. Deadline for application is Oct. 1. Space is limited. Qualified applicants will be interviewed from Oct. 2–5. For applications and/or further information contact the Red Cross office.

Sig Hospital Customer Service

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New Chapel Service Schedule

There have been some recent changes to Sigonella's worship services in Mineo and on NAS I. The following changes are effective immediately: Mineo Protestant services start at 9 a.m. On NAS I, Saturday's Catholic Mass is now at 5 p.m. Confessions from 4:15-4:45 p.m. On Sundays, Catholic Mass will be held at 9 a.m. Protestant services will be held at 11 a.m., LDS at 2 p.m., Church of Christ 4 p.m., and Gospel at 6 p.m. These changes are permanent until further notice.

PTSA Pizza Party

A pizza party will be awarded to the first Stephen Decatur classroom that has the most PTSA membership applications by Oct. 1. Grab a piece of the pie and join your local SDS-PTSA. Family: \$10; Faculty/Individual: \$5; Student: \$3

Fall 2001 PRT Schedule

SWIMMERS

Weigh in Sept. 24 9 a.m. - noon
PRT Sept. 26 9 a.m. NAS II Pool

AIMD

Weigh in Sept 27. 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Sept 28 9 a.m. - noon, Oct. 1 9 a.m. - noon, Oct 2 9 a.m. - noon
PRT Oct 1-4 7 a.m. each day

SECURITY

Weigh in Oct. 3 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 4 9 a.m. - noon, Oct. 5 9 a.m. - noon
PRT scheduled for Oct. 5 & Oct. 9 & 10 7 a.m. each day

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Weigh in Oct. 9 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 10 9 a.m. - noon
PRT Oct. 11-12 @ 7 a.m. both days

ADMIN

Weigh in Oct. 11 9 a.m. -noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 12 9 a.m. - noon
PRT Oct. 15-16 @ 7 a.m. both days

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Churros

by Bea Cook

Contributing writer

Enjoy this simple Latin American recipe at your next brunch or as a light and sweet dessert.

2 cups Water

1 1/2 cups Flour

2 Eggs

1/2 teaspoon Salt

1/2 cup Granulated sugar

2 teaspoons Cinnamon

Oil for deep-frying

Bring the water to a boil in a saucepan. Remove from the heat and slowly whisk in the flour. Return to a low heat and stir until smooth. Remove from the heat. Lightly beat the eggs. Slowly whisk the eggs and salt into your flour mixture until smooth. Put the mixture into a pastry bag. Heat the oil in a skillet to 350. Carefully (with the tip of the bag very near the surface of the oil) pipe out a five-inch length of your mixture. Repeat several times, but do not overcrowd. Cook until lightly browned (about 2 minutes). Drain on paper towels. Mix the sugar and cinnamon. Sprinkle on the churros while they are still hot.



Navy Secures Ports, Provides Relief in Wake of Terrorist Attacks

By Jerome W. Mapp, Navy Wire Service
WASHINGTON (NWS)— Simultaneous terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center in New York, and the Pentagon locally, prompted an immediate security and relief effort by the U.S. Navy.

As the U.S. Navy positioned ships off the coasts of Washington, D.C., and New York, the hospital ship USNS Comfort (AH 20) prepared to sail from its berth at Baltimore, Md., to embark Navy medical personnel at Earle, N.J., before setting sail for the coast of New York. Comfort has a crew of 61 civilian mariners and more than 700 Navy medical and support personnel.

Comfort contains 12 fully-equipped operating rooms, a 1,000-bed hospital facility, radiological services, a medical laboratory, a pharmacy, an optometry lab, a CAT scan and two oxygen-producing plants. The ship also has a helicopter deck capable of landing large military helicopters, as well as side ports to take on patients at sea.

In Norfolk, Va., USS George Washington (CVN 73) set sail in support of defense and humanitarian efforts off the coast of New York.

Other ships in support include USS Leyte Gulf (CG 55), USS Monterey (CG 61), USS Hue City (CG 66), USS Vicksburg (CG 69), USS Vella Gulf (CG 72), USS Ramage (DDG 61), USS Ross (DDG 71), USS Detroit (AOE 4), USS Bataan (LHD 5) and USS Shreveport (LPD 12).

George Washington will respond to tasking from the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) in providing air defense to the city.

Pacific Fleet ships underway and ready to respond to any tasks in support of national defense at sea to contribute to the air and sea defense of the U.S. West Coast and Hawaii include USS John Stennis (CVN 74), USS Mobile Bay (CG 53), USS Valley Forge (CG 50), USS Decatur (DDG 73), USS Stethem (DDG 63), USS Higgins (DDG 76), USS Russell (DDG 59), USS Fife (DD 991), USS Rentz (FFG 46), USS Sides (FFG 14), USS Thatch (FFG 43), USS Ford (FFG 54), USS Rodney M. Davis (FFG 60), USS Salvor (ARS 52) and

USNS Yukon (T-AO 202).

Navy and Marine Corps installations around the country are at the highest states of alert. They are taking increased force protection measures to ensure the safety of military and civilian personnel at these installations.

Persons attempting to enter military bases can expect significant delays and increase of traffic as Navy security forces implement additional security procedures.

USS Cole Memorial to be Dedicated This Fall

By SURFLANT Public Affairs
NORFOLK, Va. (NWS)— The Navy will host a ceremony October 12, to dedicate a memorial in honor of the 17 Sailors killed in the terrorist attack on USS Cole (DDG 67) last year. The ceremony’s date coincides with the attack on the ship.

The ceremony will be held at 10:30 a.m. EDT, at Naval Station Norfolk. The event is open to all military and Department of Defense civilian personnel and accredited media.

The memorial is the result of contributions from thousands of private individuals and businesses across the country. The memorial design began as a vision of those Sailors who were killed in the attack.

The ship’s crewmembers joined forces with Navy architects and the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society to bring life to their vision of honoring their fallen shipmates.

“This memorial is a fitting tribute to the 17 brave men and women in USS Cole who gave their lives in service to our country” said Adm. Robert J. Natter, commander in chief, Atlantic Fleet. “Their dedication and sacrifice will be appropriately honored and remembered here in Cole’s homeport.”

Natter added, “On behalf of Cole Sailors, their families and the United States Navy, I would like to thank the thousands of private citizens and corporations across America whose wonderful generosity and contributions have made this memorial possible.”

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society has assisted with the memorial by managing public donations to the Cole Memorial Fund, and administering the construction plans and contract.

“The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is pleased

to assist in the construction of this memorial to Cole Sailors,” said retired Adm. Jerome L. Johnson, president of the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society. “We are pleased to help commemorate their bravery and valor in fighting to save their ship, and the lives of their shipmates.”

For an artist rendition of the memorial, go to <http://www.spear.navy.mil/ships/ddg67/> and access “Cole Memorial.” For information about the ceremony, contact Lt. Cmdr. Terry Sutherland at (757) 836-3140.

USS Cole Afloat Again

By Naval Sea Systems Command Public Affairs
PASCAGOULA, Miss. (NNS)— On Sept. 14, the Navy launched USS Cole (DDG 67) back into the water at Northrop Grumman Ship Systems’ Ingalls Operations in Pascagoula.

The ship was launched a day earlier than previously scheduled.

Cole was severely damaged in October 2000, when terrorists in Yemen attacked the vessel with a bomb-laden boat. Seventeen crewmembers were killed and scores were wounded in the attack.

The ship’s restoration began in March, following its return to the United States aboard a Norwegian transport vessel. Cole was moved onto a land-level facility in January, where Northrop Grumman originally built the ship.

Captain Phillip N. Johnson, supervisor of shipbuilding at Pascagoula, said, “Work to date aboard USS Cole has consisted of more than 550 tons of steel structural repairs to replace the damaged area exterior plating.

The re-launching of Cole represents completion of all structural repairs and restoration.”

Other completed work included the replacement of damaged and unserviceable equipment, and removal, evaluation and recertification of critical systems such as shafting and propellers.

Following final checks, Cole will be returned to the fleet in 2002, according to Johnston.

For more information on USS Cole, go to <http://www.spear.navy.mil/ships/ddg67/>.

The President: “Everybody Who Wears the Uniform: Get Ready”

By the Navy Wire Service
THURMONT, Md. (NWS)— *The following are remarks by the president, Secretary of State Colin Powell and Attorney General John Ashcroft during a Sept. 15 press availability at Camp David:*
THE PRESIDENT: I’ve asked the highest levels of our government to come to discuss the current tragedy that has so deeply affected our nation. Our country mourns for the loss of life and for those whose lives have been so deeply affected by this despicable act of terror. I am going to describe to our leadership what I saw: the wreckage of New York City, the signs of the first battle of war.

We’re going to meet and deliberate and discuss—but there’s no question about it, this act will not stand; we will find those who did it; we will smoke them out of their holes; we will get them running and we’ll bring them to justice.

We will not only deal with those who dare attack America, we will deal with those who harbor them and feed them and house them.

Make no mistake about it: underneath our tears is the strong determination of America to win this war. And we will win it.

I’m going to ask the Secretary of State to say a few things, and then the Attorney General.

Secretary Powell: Thank you, Mr. President. I might just say that I’m very pleased with the response we’ve been getting from the international community.

I think every civilized nation in the world recognizes that this was an assault not just against the United States, but against civilization.

We should also take note, it’s not just Americans who lost lives in the World Trade Center—dozens of countries lost lives and they realize that this was an attack against them, as well.

We are receiving expressions of support from around the world—and not just rhetorical support, but real support for whatever may lay ahead in this campaign that is ahead of us to win the war that the president has spoken of.

I might especially want to thank the president and the people of Pakistan for the support that they have offered and their willingness to assist us in whatever might be required in that part of the world as we determine who those perpetrators are.

It’s a coalition that will stay intact, that will be built upon over time.

And what we have to do is not just go after these perpetrators, and those who gave them haven, but the whole curse of terrorism that is upon the face of the earth.

And this is a campaign that we have begun this week and we will stick with it until we are successful.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ASHCROFT: Four days ago we began an investigative effort to understand not only those who perpetrate this heinous assault against America and free people everywhere, but to develop an understanding of those who are associated with it and how it was conducted.

The FBI, together with very cooperative local and state officials and law enforcement agencies has processed thousands of leads. We are making the kinds of contacts and developing the information that allow us to describe this as proceeding with reasonable success.

We believe that the picture is developing a kind of clarity that’s appropriate. We have named 19 individuals that we have high levels of confidence were the hijackers.

And we are further refining our understanding of the ways in which this terrible crime was developed.

I might add that we have put in place very serious measures that we believe will provide greater security and provide a basis for our country returning to the kind of freedom and business and conduct that is characteristic of this great nation.

PRESS QUESTION: Sir, what do you say to Americans who are worried that the longer it takes to retaliate, the more chance the perpetrators have to escape and hide and just escape justice?

THE PRESIDENT: They will try to hide, they will try to avoid the United States and our allies—but we’re not going to let them. They run to the hills; they find holes to get in.

And we will do whatever it takes to smoke them out and get them running, and we’ll get them.

Listen, this is a great nation; we’re a kind people. None of us could have envisioned the barbaric acts of these terrorists.

But they have stirred up the might of the American people, and we’re going to get them, no matter what it takes.

In my radio address today I explained to the Ameri-

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By Alberto Lunetta
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Italian News

SICILIAN CULTURE AND LIFESTYLE

Local community shares U.S. grief

Catania – As reported in La Sicilia, local community officials and residents promoted several initiatives to express sympathy, friendship and support to the Americans after last week’s tragedy. Piero Agen and Antonio Fiumefreddo, two City Councilors and secretaries accompanied Umberto Scapagnini, the mayor of Catania, on a visit to Captain Timothy Davison, NAS Sigonella Commanding Officer and his Italian counterpart Colonel Claudio Salerno, the base Commander, on Sept 13. A media conference at the Catania City Hall followed the visit. “I was shocked to hear the accounts told by the two officers because they made me relive the events that occurred during the Vietnam War, between 1967 and 1973, as I was working as a doctor in the U.S. Today, I realized how all Americans sincerely join together when a tragedy hits them,” said Scapagnini during the conference. As for Italy’s political and military support to a likely retaliation to be carried out by the U.S., Scapagnini reasserted what was said by Italy’s Premier Silvio Berlusconi before the Italian Parliament. “The U.S. is an active member of the alliance; attacking this country is like attacking the other

NATO partners, as stated in Article Five of the Alliance. As Europeans we always seek wisdom although we don’t forget our duties as such weighty events occur,” added Scapagnini. On Sept 14, as it was decided by the European Union and implemented all over Europe, Catania’s City Council, gathered in an extraordinary meeting, observed three minutes of silence to remember the victims of the terrible terrorist attacks. “We want to express our solidarity and condolences to all the American people. We condemn an act that hit the heart and the mind of the western world,” said Santo Pulvirenti, the City Council’s President. Local schools and several government civilian and military offices also participated in observing a moment of silence. A demonstration was held in Piazza Università in Catania in which a couple of hundreds of workers, some of them carrying an American flag, and union representatives gathered to express solidarity and sympathy to the Americans. Monsignor Luigi Bommarito, Catania’s Archbishop, remembered the victims of the terrorist attacks while celebrating the Mass for the ordination of 14 priests in Catania’s Cathedral. “We pray for the victims of this cruelty and for peace,” said Bommarito.

Meanwhile, as decided during a governmental session of the Provincial Security Committee presided over by Prefect Alberto Di Pace, the local police forces have increased their activity. Security has also heightened at local restaurants and pubs throughout the region. Police and Carabinieri are also monitoring the movements of groups of immigrants coming from critical Middle Eastern areas.

Motta hosts festival

Motta S. Anastasia- A Food and Craft festival will be held in Motta this weekend. Today, starting at 4 p.m., food stands will serve home baked bread, meat, olive oil, boiled and grilled vegetables, Sicilian cakes (*torrone*, prickly pear *mostarda*), jam and more will be set up at via Carmine Caruso, located in the city’s entrance. The festival will be open all day starting tomorrow at 9 a.m. Wine, beer and liquor tasting will also be available, and empty wine barrels will be for sale. Festivalgoers will have the opportunity to purchase antiquities, tiles, ceramics, wicker, bamboo, wrought iron and embroidery products. Old farm tools from the beginning of last century will be on display. A demonstration on how ricotta cheese is prepared will

be held Sunday evening. Music shows and performances are scheduled every evening at 8:30 p.m.



Photo courtesy of Motta Tourist Office

The Norman Castle overlooks the city of Motta.

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OPERATIONS

Weigh in Oct. 15-17 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m.,
PRT Oct. 17-19 @ 7 a.m. each day

SUPPLY

Weigh in Oct. 18 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 19
9 a.m. - noon, Oct. 22 9 a.m. - noon
PRT Oct. 22-24 @ 7 a.m. each day

WEAPONS

Weigh in Oct. 23 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 24
9 a.m. - noon
PRT Oct. 25-26 @ 7 a.m. each day

PWD

Weigh in Oct. 25 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 26
9 a.m. - noon, Oct. 29 9 a.m - noon
PRT Oct. 29-31 @ 7 a.m. each day

SMALL DEPARTMENTS

(Includes MWR, FSC, Chaplain, and Safety)
Weigh in Oct. 30 9 a.m. - noon & 1-4 p.m., Oct. 31
9 a.m. -
PRT Nov. 1-2 @ 7 a.m. each day

The Height-Weight measurements will be con-
ducted only at the Command Fitness Leader
Office.

The CFL office is in the trailer located next
to the Red Cross office, behind the OLD flight
line clinic.

The PRT will be at the Tennis courts on NAS
II. Be sure that your people bring suitable
padding for the curl-ups and push-ups events.
The padding can be obtained from the NAS II
gymnasium.

Last but equally important, be sure that water
is available for all personnel participating in
the PRT.

Upon completion of the test, be sure that re-
sults are entered into COMNAVPERSCOM-
approved Physical Readiness Program soft-
ware.

The department summary needs to be turned in to
the CFL’s office no later than Nov. 9.

The letter of notification and page 13’s will be is-
sued to the appropriate people by Nov. 16.

The over body fat persons will need to report to
medical as soon as possible for approval to partici-
pate in the Command-Directed Fitness Enhance-
ment Program.

The Command-Directed FEP will start Nov.
19.

For any questions, comments, or concerns,
please contact NCC Mastropasqua at 624-
5924 or EM1 Smith at 624-5749.

Mail Delays

There will be significant transit time delays
on all mail destined to the United States con-
taining any type of merchandise.

Currently all mail containing merchandise is
being held locally until further notice.

All mail containing letters and documents will
experience minor delays due to being dis-
patched via military flights vice commercial
air.

The NAS Sigonella Postal Division appreci-
ates your patience and is working hard to pro-
vide Sigonellans top quality mail services.

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Week at a glance	Friday, Sept. 21	Saturday, Sept. 22	Sunday, Sept. 23	Monday, Sept. 24	Tuesday, Sept. 25	Wednesday, Sept. 26	Thursday, Sept. 27	Week at a glance	
	Girls Slumber Party & Pampering at the Teen Center at 7 p.m. FFSC: Typing Test – 1:15pm – 2pm - FFSC Class Rm. FFSC: Base ICR – 8am-3pm – ICR Class Rm. Karaoke Night at Live Wire – 9 p.m. Dance-All-Night with DJ Boss at Live Wire from 11p.m.- 3 a.m. Jox R & B Night + Pool Tournament at 8 p.m.	Nintendo Challenge at the Teen Center from 3 – 5 p.m. at the Teen Center Country Night at Live Wire – 8 p.m. Top 40 Music Night at Jox – 8 p.m.		Pool Tournament at Jox at 8 p.m. FFSC: Typing Test – 1:15pm – 2pm - FFSC Class Rm. FFSC: Special Additions – 1pm- 3 p.m. – Community Bldg. Rock 'n Roll Mondays at Jox at 7:30 p.m.	Celebrate Will Smith's Birthday with his movies at Take 5 FFSC: Resource Room Orientation – 1:15pm-2pm - FFSC Resource Rm. FFSC: Arrivederci Sigonella – 12pm-3:30pm – Indoc Class Rm. FFSC: Mineo Playgroup – 10am- 11am – Mineo Community Center. Country Night at Live Wire - 7:30 p.m.	AU Kayaking Class at the NAS I Pool from 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. Register by today for the 2-on-2 Sand Volleyball Tournament on Sept 28 FFSC: Typing Test – 1:15pm – 2pm - FFSC Class Rm. FFSC: Rainbow Playgroup – 10a- 11am – 205 Housing FFSC: Consumer Awareness – 12pm–1pm – Bldg. 701 Class Rm. NAS II Teen Supreme Meeting at 11am in the Teen Center Dart Tournament at Live Wire – 8 p.m. Karaoke Night and Open Mic Night at Jox - 7:30 p.m.	FFSC: Resource Room Orientation – 1:15pm-2pm - FFSC Resource Rm. FFSC: Ciao Sigonella Kids – 2:45pm–4pm – FFSC Class Rm. FFSC: Italian Cooking Class – 9:30am-2:30pm – Off-Base Catania FFSC: Base Indoc- 1 st day (Part 1) – Indoc Class Rm. ITT 5-Star Cooking Classes Jox Variety Music Night + Pool Tournament at 8 p.m.		
	For information on community events call MWR at 624-5271								

HOROSCOPES

ARIES: Your erratic behavior will frighten your loved ones. Make plans to spend time as a family. A bicycle ride or a family picnic should be on the agenda. Travel will lead to new friendships and valuable information. You will be able to communicate easily. Members of the opposite sex will be attracted to your loyal, stable nature.

TAURUS: Don't let anyone take advantage of your kindness. You will be willing to bend over backward. Be sure to delegate some of the work to others. Sudden changes regarding your financial status may be likely. Don't hesitate to help an older member of your family sort out their personal papers.

GEMINI: You should be looking into clubs or groups that have a similar philosophy to your own. Get out and enjoy yourself. New friends will do you a world of good. You will be emotional with respect to your mate. Use your passionate energy in a positive manner. You need attention and you won't get it by arguing.

CANCER: Join in social events and you will meet new potential lovers. Your energetic nature will entice potential mates. Don't let family members rain on your parade. You will have amazing endurance and stamina this week. Get involved in competitive sports. You will experience great satisfaction from your encounters with others.

LEO: Small groups will be more appealing than crowded functions. You will be able to initiate creative endeavors that you have been wanting to get into for some time. Your efforts will not go unobserved. You must get into a position that will enable you to present your ideas to those in a position to help you reach your goals.

VIRGO: Love will develop through organizational functions you attend. Use discrimination in your romantic choices. Your talent will be appreciated by others. You will be sensitive about your personal life. Try to be honest with yourself and your lover regarding your intentions. You may need some time to yourself.

LIBRA: Don't expect your partner to do everything you want. Take care of the needs of elders. You will be rewarded for your good deeds. Make sure that you don't have ulterior motives. There might be a dilemma if you didn't sort out your personal papers. Problems with authority figures will lead to anxiety and panic. Don't take chances while traveling.


SCORPIO: Stabilization in relationships can be yours if you're willing to bend a little. Make plans for the future and don't hesitate to tell your mate what your intentions are. You may be on an emotional roller coaster this week. Try to keep things in perspective. Your family may not be too pleased with your decisions.

SAGITTARIUS: You need to expand your circle of friends. Your interest in fashion should direct you out to the shops this week. Go with a friend who will be objective about your purchases. Your creative approach to your work will help you get ahead. Get involved in activities that will bring you into contact with those who can grant you favors.


CAPRICORN: Don't count on getting any help from family. You are best to get started early if you want to finish the jobs that you set aside for yourself this week. Group activity will be most satisfying. Don't let others talk you out of your hard-earned cash. Put your money into home-improvement projects or long-term investments.

AQUARIUS: Changes at home could lead to problems with loved ones. Make sure that you run your ideas by those you live with before making permanent decisions. Problems with authority figures will lead to anxiety and worry. Don't get angry with colleagues. You are best to concentrate on your work and avoid getting involved in idle chatter.

PISCES: Relatives may not be too sure how to react to your news. Try to be brief and don't allow them time to ask questions. Sorting out your problems on your own may be a good idea. Your need to spend money may baffle others. Don't over extend yourself. Gambling will be a waste of time and money. You'd be wise to lock up your assets.



THE MOVIE CONNECTION



Theater Schedule

Friday, September 21 – Adults Night Out
5:30 p.m.: Legally Blonde (PG-13)
8 p.m.: Jurassic Park 3 (PG-13)
11:00 p.m.: The Score (R)
Saturday, September 22
Noon: Cats and Dogs (PG)
2:30 p.m.: Final Fantasy: The Spirits Within (PG-13)
5:30 p.m.: America's Sweethearts (PG-13)
8 p.m.: The Score (R)
11:00 p.m.: Jurassic Park 3 (PG-13)
Sunday, September 23
1 p.m.: Legally Blonde (PG-13)
3:30 p.m.: Cats and Dogs (PG)
6 p.m.: Jurassic Park 3 (PG-13)
Monday, September 24
5:30 p.m.: America's Sweethearts (PG-13)
8 p.m.: Final Fantasy: The Spirits Within (PG-13)*
Tuesday, September 25
5:30 p.m.: Cats and Dogs (PG)
8 p.m.: Planet of the Apes (PG-13)

Wednesday, September 26
5:30 p.m.: Osmosis Jones (PG)
8 p.m.: Jurassic Park 3 (PG-13)
Thursday, September 27
5:30 p.m.: Cats and Dogs (PG)*
8 p.m.: The Score (R)
Friday, September 28
5:30 p.m.: Planet of the Apes (PG-13)
8 p.m.: America's Sweethearts (PG-13)
11 p.m.: No Movie Showing
Saturday, September 29
Noon: Osmosis Jones (PG)
2:30 p.m.: Jurassic Park 3 (PG-13)
5:30 p.m.: Legally Blonde (PG-13)
8 p.m.: Planet of the Apes (PG-13)
11 p.m.: No Movie Showing
Sunday, September 30
1 p.m.: Legally Blonde (PG-13)
3:30: Osmosis Jones (PG)
6 p.m.: The Score (R)

*** Future Re-release **Sneak Preview *Last Showing
All times and movies are subject to change. For more information, call 624-4248

Planet of the Apes - (PG-13)
When an astronaut's rescue mission takes an abrupt detour through a space time worm-hole, he finds himself landing on a strange planet where talking apes rule over the human race. With the help of a chimpanzee activist and a small band of human rebels, he leads the effort to fend off the Gorilla Army and make it to a sacred temple where they will discover the shocking secrets of mankind's past and the key to its future.

Osmosis Jones - (PG)
This epic adventure of microscopic proportion follows a deadly virus through the human body. It's up to Osmosis Jones, a renegade white blood cell, to hunt down and destroy the toxin. Racing against the biological clock, Osmosis Jones and his partner Drix (a 12-hour cold capsule) dodge mucus mudslides, hurricane-force sneezes and more to save their host from certain death.

TRIVIA

1) What was the name of Pocahontas and John Rolfe's son?

2) What do Selenologists study?

3) What is the world's fastest flying insect?


Bestsellers Cooking

How to Cook Everything

Kitchen Confidential

Cake Mix Doctor

How to Read a French Fry



They Did What?

Rattler Got Your Tongue?

Snakes flick their forked tongues in the air to "smell" the world, collecting molecules then pressing the tips into small olfactory pits. An inebriated twenty-year-old male took umbrage when a wild rattlesnake stuck out its tongue at him. Tit for tat! He held the snake in front of his face and stuck his tongue out right back at the rattler. The snake expressed his displeasure at this turn of events by biting the conveniently offered body part. The toxic venom swelled the man's face and throat, choking him to death.

Off the Rack!

The Mexican

The much-hyped teaming of Brad Pitt and Julia Roberts turns out to be not much of a teaming — the two megastars are kept apart for most of the running time of **The Mexican**. This would probably be a fatal miscalculation even if the rest of the movie weren't deadly dull. But it is, and it's endless. Pitt is a loser with the loserish name Jerry Welbach. Jerry's in trouble with the mob, and can extricate himself only by rolling down to Mexico and retrieving an ornate antique gun. His girlfriend Sam (Roberts) is none too happy about this, and declares the relationship finito. However, she is kidnapped by a hit man (James Gandolfini), an event that is connected to the finding of the gun. Jerry's adventures in Mexico at least have a kind of conventional suspense about them (he finds the gun, he loses the gun, he stumbles into complications). But nothing happens in Sam's part of the movie, save for repetitive discussions about relationship issues with the extremely sensitive kidnapper. In fact, it feels as though Sam's story is artificially padded out for the simple reason that Julia Roberts has been cast in the role. She has no dramatic function for most of the story, and Roberts really strains to make something, anything, happen. Her chemistry is decent with Gandolfini (whose character revelation is not nearly as surprising or fascinating as the filmmakers assume it is), but they sometimes look like acting students trying to create an interesting improv out of a poorly conceived sketch. And her chemistry with Brad Pitt? Who can say? They're only on screen together for a few minutes. The main love story in the movie actually takes place a century ago, in the Mexican town where the gun was crafted. We keep coming back to this story with deadening regularity, and it's difficult to tell whether director Gore Verbinski is putting it out there with a straight face.

By Robert Horton



AFN Sigonella television schedule														
CET	Friday, Sep 21	Saturday, Sep 22	Sunday, Sep 23	Monday, Sep 24	Tuesday, Sep 25	Wednesday, Sep 26	Thursday, Sep 27	Friday, Sep 28	CET					
00:00	Letterman cont.	Letterman cont.	Sports cont.	NFL cont.	Letterman cont.	Letterman cont.	Letterman cont.	Letterman cont.	00:00					
00:30	ESPN News	ESPN News	Saturday Night Live	Headline News	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPN News	ESPN News	00:30					
01:00	College Football SC @ Miss St	Movies 'til Dawn: Before Sunrise		Seinfeld	Headline News	Movies 'til Dawn: Gross Anatomv	Movies 'til Dawn: From Russia with love	Movies 'til Dawn: Goldfinaer	01:00					
01:30	Movies 'til Dawn: Shoot to Kill	It's Showtime at the Apollo		The Drew Carey Show	Mondav Nisht Countdown				01:30					
02:00				Walker, Texas Ranger	02:00									
02:30				02:30										
03:00			03:00											
03:30			03:30											
04:00	04:00	Late Friday	WWF Superstars	NFL Monday Night Football Redskins @ Packers	Movies 'til Dawn: The Brothers McMullen	Movies 'til Dawn: If These Walls Could Talk	Movies 'til Dawn: Diner	04:00						
04:30	04:30	Entertainers	America's Black Forum					04:30						
05:00	05:00	Headline News	Meet the Press					Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	05:00			
05:30	05:30	ABC World News	Hour of Power					ABC World News	ABC World News	ABC World News	05:30			
06:00	06:00	CNN	Outreach of Love					CNN	CNN	CNN	06:00			
06:30	NBC Nightly News	NBC Nightly News	Coral Ridge Hour	ESPN News	NBC Nightly News	NBC Nightly News	NBC Nightly News	NBC Nightly News	06:30					
07:00	Sesame Street	Clifford the Big Red Dog	The Word in the World	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	Sesame Street	07:00					
07:30	Dragon Tales	Dragon Tales	Cafe Video	Dragon Tales	Franklin	Shining Time Station	Dora, the Explorer	Zoboomafoo	07:30					
08:00	Zoboomafoo	Disney's Recess	Little Bear	Dragon Tales	Wheel of Fortune	Wheel of Fortune	Wheel of Fortune	Wheel of Fortune	08:00					
08:30	Wheel of Fortune	As Told by Ginger	Rabbit Ears	Wheel of Fortune	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	08:30					
09:00	Oprah Winfrey	Pokemon	Familv Movie:	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	Oprah Winfrey	09:00					
09:30	Port Charles	City Guys		Port Charles	Port Charles	Port Charles	Port Charles	Port Charles	09:30					
10:00	Guiding Light	Standard Deviants		Guiding Light	Guiding Light	Guiding Light	Guiding Light	Guiding Light	10:00					
10:30		Battlebots	Wild Things						10:30					
11:00	General Hospital	Hometime		General Hospital	General Hospital	General Hospital	General Hospital	General Hospital	11:00					
11:30		California's Gold							11:30					
12:00	Headline News	AFN Special	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	12:00					
12:30	Judge Judy	Viva Hollywood	Air Force TV News	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	12:30					
13:00	Today	WWF Smackdown	College Football	Today	Today	Today	Today	Today	13:00					
13:30														13:30
14:00		My Wife and Kids												14:00
14:30		Everybody Loves Raymond												14:30
15:00		JAG												
15:30	Arthur			Casper	Disney's 101 Dalmations	Lloyd in Space	Rugrats	Arthur	15:30					
16:00	Disney's Pepper Ann			Angela Anaconda	Jackie Chan Adventures	Rocket Power	Space Goofs	Disney's Pepper Ann	16:00					
16:30	Moesha	Law & Order	WWF Superstars	Popular Mechanics for Kids	Nick News	Bonehead Detectives	Pokemon	Moesha	16:30					
17:00	Sabrina			The Amanda Show	Are You Afraid of the	Hang Time	Superman	Sabrina	17:00					
17:30	Jeopardy!	Headline News	Xena:Warrior Princess	Jeopardy!	Dark?	Jeopardy!	Jeopardy!	Jeopardy!	17:30					
18:00	Headline News	Navy/Marine Corps News		Headline News	Jeopardy!	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	18:00					
18:30	CNN	College Football teams TBD	NFL Today	60 Minutes	Headline News	CNN	CNN	CNN	18:30					
19:00	Headline News				CNN	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	19:00					
19:30	The Simpsons				Headline News	Sabrina	Friends	The Simpsons	19:30					
20:00	Malcolm in the Middle			2001 Hispanic Heritage Awards	7th Heaven	Boy Meets World	The Steve Harvey Show	Malcolm in the Middle	20:00					
20:30	AFN Special				Primetime Movie:	Dark Angel	Will & Grace	AFN Special	20:30					
21:00							The Drew Carey Show		21:00					
21:30	X Files	College Football		The Practice		Ally McBeal	NYPD Blue	X Files	21:30					
22:00	Headline News			Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	Headline News	22:00					
22:30	Tonight Show w/ Jay Leno		NFL Teams TBD	Tonight Show w/Jay Leno	Tonight Show w/Jay Leno	Tonight Show w/ Jay Leno	Tonight Show w/ Jay Leno	Tonight Show w/ Jay Leno	22:30					
23:00									23:00					
23:30	Late Show w / Letterman			Late Show w/ Letterman	Late Show w/Letterman	Late Show w / Letterman	Late Show w / Letterman	Late Show w / Letterman	23:30					

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by JOC(SW)Priscilla Kirsh
Rock & Roll Hall of Fame

www.rockhall.com
Step inside the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and examine the exhibits. Is your favorite tune among the 500 that helped shape Rock & Roll? Check out one of the true legends of Rock & Roll with the John Lennon exhibition. It's the largest exhibit the hall has ever devoted to one artist. This is a very interesting web site if you're a music fan.

War Journal

www.wtj.com
This is one of the most thorough web sites I've seen in a while depicting the history of our country and the wars and conflicts we've been part of. Read about the Civil War or memoirs from military members who served during that time. You can also find a complete version of the U.S. Navy's involvement in World Wars I and II. If you're a history buff, this is an excellent place to start.

Around the Clock News

www.cnn.com
Since the tragic terrorist attack on America last week, most Sigonellans have been glued to the television waiting for the latest and greatest updates. For those of you who are like me and don't have access to a television during the day, this site is the answer. It's graphically intense, but yet it seems to be pretty fast. The news is updated every hour and is just as thorough as watching CNN on TV. The best thing about the site is that you can navigate yourself and read what stories interest you most. This site also features some videos and an extensive photo archive.

Sigonella mourns terrorist victims



Photo by PH3 John Looney

NAS Sigonella servicemembers render honors to the American Flag during the playing of the National Anthem at a memorial service on Tuesday. Sigonellans paused to remember those who died and those who are still missing one week after the terrorist attacks in the United States. As Chaplain Philip Creider delivered remarks, the roar of a U-2 reminded those in attendance that the sound of freedom is an example of what it means to be an American.

Trivia Answers

1) Thomas 2) The Moon 3) Hawk Moth

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The Pentagon



Photo by Master Sgt. Ken Hammond

Web Extra!

www.defenselink.mil/pubs/pentagon

The Pentagon is the Headquarters of the Department of Defense and is a city within itself. If you've never visited or worked in The Pentagon, then I highly recommend this site. The Pentagon houses about 23,000 military and civilian employees and about 3,000 non-defense support personnel, all dedicated to protecting our national interests. On this web site, you can view the history of the Pentagon, read up on some facts and figures, or take a very impressive virtual tour where you can visit corridors, halls and exhibits.

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PRESIDENT

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can people that this effort may require patience. But we’re going to—

PRESS QUESTION: How long—

THE PRESIDENT: As long as it takes. And it’s not just one person. We’re talking about those who fed them, those who house them, those who harbor terrorists will be held accountable for this action.

PRESS QUESTION: Sir, are you satisfied that Osama bin Laden is at least a kingpin of this operation?

THE PRESIDENT: There is no question he is what we would call a prime suspect. And if he thinks he can hide and run from the United States and our allies, he will be sorely mistaken.

PRESS QUESTION: Mr. President, do you have a message for the Reservists that you called up yesterday? Can you tell us whether you think more may have to be called up?

THE PRESIDENT: The message is for everybody who wears the uniform: get ready. The United States will do what it takes to win this war. And I ask patience of the American people. There is no question in my mind we’ll have the resolve—I witnessed it yesterday on the construction site. Behind the sadness and the exhaustion, there is a desire by the American people to not seek only revenge, but to win a war against barbaric behavior, people that hate freedom and hate what we stand for.

And this is an administration that is going to dedicate ourselves to winning that war.

PRESS QUESTION: What did Pakistan say it would do to help the United States?

SECRETARY POWELL: We put before the Pakistani government a specific list of things that we would like cooperation on, and they’ve agreed to all those items. I’m not prepared to announce today what those specific items are. But the Pakistani government was very forthcoming and we’re appreciative.

PRESS QUESTION: Mr. President, what kind of military options are you considering, if you could talk broadly?

THE PRESIDENT: This is an administration that will not talk about how we gather intelligence, how we know what we’re going to do, nor what our plans are.

When we move, we will communicate with you in an appropriate manner. We’re at war. There has been an act of war declared upon America by terrorists, and we will respond accordingly. And I appreciate very much the American people understanding that.

As we plan, as we put our strategy into action, we will let you know when we think it’s appropriate—not only to protect the lives of our servicemen and women, but to make sure our coalition has had proper time to be noticed, as well. But we’re going to act.

PRESS QUESTION: What is the risk of additional attacks on us at this point?

THE PRESIDENT: I would think the American people need to be—go about their business on Monday, but with a heightened sense of awareness that a group of barbarians have declared war on the American people.

PRESS QUESTION: Sir, how much of a sacrifice are ordinary Americans going to have to be expected to make in their daily lives, in their daily routines?

THE PRESIDENT: Our hope, of course, is that they make no sacrifice whatsoever. We would like to see life return to normal in America.

But these people have declared war on us and we will do whatever it takes to make sure that we’re safe internally. So, therefore, people may not be able to board flights as quickly.

Our borders are tighter than they’ve ever been before. We’re taken a variety of measures to make sure that the American people are safe, just as the Attorney General spoke about.

But we hope, obviously, that the measures we take will allow the American economy to continue on.

I urge people to go to their businesses on Monday.

I understand major league baseball is going to start playing again. It is important for America to get on about its life. But our government will be on full alert and we’ll be tracing every lead, every potential to make sure that the American people are safe.

PRESS QUESTION: How long do you envision—

THE PRESIDENT: The definition is whatever it takes.

Chaplain’s Corner

by Chaplain Philip Creider

Although we are a long way from home, the recent attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington DC touched us deeply. We are Americans. It is our home. Some of us have relatives and friends from whom we have not yet heard. Some of us have already been touched by the sad news of death. Our hearts are breaking. We are full of questions; we may well be full of anger.

It is precisely because we live in a violent world, a world that sometimes wants to crush free people, that we have founded the Armed Forces of our nation to help secure and keep peace. We are valiant and strong.

We are not alone in our duties. Our families, too, both here and at home, share with us in our crucial role. They love us, admire us, and worry about us. Our Sicilian neighbors and coworkers have also shaken our hands and given us their deep sympathy and prayers.

As representatives of our country, our base stands ready to show the world that, although we have been attacked, our nation, our government, our people and our spirit have not been destroyed or broken, but rather stirred to determination and response.

In these past few days, our base has experienced a closeness that we might not have felt before. We are becoming a family, united in purpose, support and prayer.

As the magnitude of this attack on our nation settles in our souls, Sigonella’s Sailors, Marines, Soldiers, Airmen and families, and all who work on base, are realizing more and more that we are shipmates. We stand the watch for and with each other.

Our parents’ and grandparents’ generation have been called, “The Greatest Generation.” They earned that title because they kept the Faith, served the Country, and won the Second World War. The nation’s recent tragedy can do the same for us.

As I walk around our base, talking with people, officially and unofficially, it is crystal clear that we are doing what needs to be done, with dedication and expertise.

I am inspired to see and hear our people going out of their way to take care of each other, console each other, and even feed and house each other.

We’re becoming what we should be all of the time: A “Band of Brothers and Sisters,” a new generation of strength, determination, sacrifice and Faith: The Next Greatest Generation.

I am thankful to be here with you, sharing with you, and serving with you. You make me proud when I see your strength, devotion and self-giving service.

God bless the United States of America.

SECDEF

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tary leaders, this building is a place dedicated to the ethos of heroism. Heroes have gone before us.

Here at the Pentagon yesterday, heroes were here again.

I know I am speaking to many now, especially those of you in the field, those of you who wear the uniform of our country, who will in the days ahead also be called heroes.

I salute each of you for your conduct and commitment.

And without hesitation, I ask you now to stay the course in the challenging days ahead.

A nation stands behind you.

I’ve been in public life for a long time, and if there’s one lesson I have learned from it, it is this: Believe in the American people.

Believe in them especially when trouble starts, when the crisis comes.

Believe in them to act worthy of their past, to act worthy of the future of peace and freedom they want for their children.

Most of all, as you set about your dangerous work, believe in them to give you every support and give you their hearts and their prayers.

We extend our condolences, and ask God’s tender mercies on our fallen comrades and their loved ones, and we ask His blessing and guidance as we turn to the work of defending this nation and preserving human freedom.

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Sigonellans speak their mind about recent terrorist attacks



EO1 CHARLES CHITTIM—Heavy Equipment Operator from NMCB3. Hometown: Cashmere, Washington.

Initial reaction: Total shock. “I’m still in shock and a little depressed about the lost lives. I think that we should find the jerks that did this and take them out, and anyone associated with it.”

TMSN MARCUS CAGE —Torpedoman’s Mate from Weapons. Hometown: Kansas City, Kansas. Initial reaction: Anger. “I feel that we should attack anybody that has committed a terrorist act in the United States in the past 10 years – we should eradicate anyone involved completely. We should attack and not waste any time.”



PC3 JOHN THURBER—Postal Clerk from Supply. Hometown: Alexandria, Indiana. Initial reaction: “I was sleeping but I woke up to see the news. My initial reaction was astonishment and disbelief. I think that we have to go after the people who did this, with air strikes or whatever has to be done.”



RPCS JOHNNY HICKS—LCPO of the Religious Ministry Dept. for the Chaplain’s Office. Hometown: Tampa, Florida. Initial reaction: “I was shocked just like everybody else. I think we should find out who did it and make sure it doesn’t happen again.”



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Lost

14 kt charm bracelet lost between the school on and NAS I and the NAS I library. It has 3 charms on it. One is of a gold child’s head with the name Scott on it. Very sentimental! Please contact Patty at x3600.

Pictures of my kids on a boat, on the mountain, and swimming. Envelope last seen at the Town Hall meeting in the school. Please call Diane at 095-307-595 if you know their whereabouts

Automotive

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1991 Volkswagen Passat \$3000 OBO.US model, full options. Approx. 100,000m. Good condition. Must see. Call Fabrizio 338-2432626

1985 Toyota Celica. 2nd owner and never been into an accident. Complete rebuilt engine (less than 3 month old), brakes, radiator, cluth, rack & pinion, tires and sport wheels, radio with cd player, amp, A/C, sunroof. All it need is a paint job. Asking 3,200 FMI cal @ 3355998558 or X0232 after 1700

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Converted to U.S.Specs and was registered in VA. Termignoni carbon fiber exhaust, steelfront brake line. Full fairing, red. Must see! \$5,000 OBO. Call3391311289 or 095-913-516 and leave message.

1990 Dodge Shadow. Red, 4dr, auto, AC, new brakes, AFI plated, very reliable. Must sell by early Oct. Asking \$2000 OBO. Contact Joshua or Stephanie @ x5513/ 5514 Work or 3470559529/3470857278 cell.

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1982 Ford Fiesta 1.0 GL. White. Good conditions passed Italian safety inspection. Selling for \$750 OBO. Call at 095 308796 or 3351283989

1993 Nissan Sentra. Auto, p/s, great a/c, 4 cyl, 1.6, great gas mileage. Brand new CD player. . 2nd owner. \$4000 OBO FMI call 095-522294 OR 3405640010

2000 Corvette Coupe Torch Red/Light Oak Interior 6-Speed, all options, perfect condition. Email or phone for more info. hinebaugh@yahoo.com 095-876-582

Fiat Super Croma 2000 Turbo. Presidential model. Full options, black leather interior, metallic black exterior. Like new, must see. Low mileage. One owner. Asking \$5500, OBO. Call 3357864256 or x6188.

1972 Fiat 500L. Excellent condition. \$2000. Call 3356428316

1972 Fiat AR59 Army Jeep. Formerly used by Ital-

ian Army. Military green, 4-speed, 2000 cc engine, extra accessories, very good condition. Will consider trade or partial trade with sports car. Call 3356428316.

Pets

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Small, housebroken, gray tabby with shots and microchip. I am 9 months old and am very lovable. I am balcony smart since I am an indoor cat living in an apartment. If interested, please call Wanda at x5630 (W), 095 308 250 (H) or email:waltersw@nassig.sicily.navy.mil

Free to a good home. 9 month old female puppy. Very active and cute. Shots are up todate. And has micro chip. Comes with large crate. FMI call Kim are Shane after 5 P.M. at x3505. 1
Three years old female cat. Family PCSing. Unable to take with. All shots up to date chip and fixed. Includes carrier, litter box and accessories. Call 095-522294 or 3405640010

Adorable small black scruffy puppy found. Needs good home. Will pay for vaccinations and deworming. Call Andrea or Jeremy @ 3495343818

Cute kitten needs home. 5 months old, dewormed. Comes w/bed, litter box, kitty tower. Have new baby and can’t keep her. Call Debbie @ 3389343500 between 9 AM and 8 PM.

Miscellaneous

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3 new VW rims with tires for 99 and up VW 4th is repairable-\$400 OBO, 100 liter fish tank with 110V pump and filter, 10" amplified bazooka tube-\$200, Kitchen table w/ 4 chairs-\$150 Call Daryl @ x3586 or e-mail wenthur@yahoo.com

Hewlett Packard Color Printer. Deskjet 682C. Has Mickey and Friends printpacks software. Prints banners. Extra print cartridges. \$75 OBO. Call X0686.

Apple Powerbook 1400cs/166 dualscan color laptop. New 20G hard drive, 64Mb RAM, 12x CD, ZIP 100, 33.6k modem, Mac OS 8.1. Great traveling computer. \$600 OBO. Ibanez RG750 electric guitar. Black body, sharktooth inlays on bound neck with extra large frets. Active pickups with 2 humbuckers and 1 single. Preamps on humbuckers. Good condition. \$400 OBO. Call 3391311289 or 095913516 and leave message.

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27in Sony Trinatron TV purchased in November, 2000. Purchased for \$900 along with matching stand for \$120. Will sell for \$850. Making room for a baby. Please contact Nicole @ 3338514922

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PCSing? Think about taking a/c at a great price! Whirlpool “quiet miser” 20,000 BTU for \$200 and a Hunter 12,000 BTU digital temp control for \$150. Air conditioners produce volumes of ice cold air! Info call 095 88 5697; email threebugs@hotmail.com

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Wanted

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